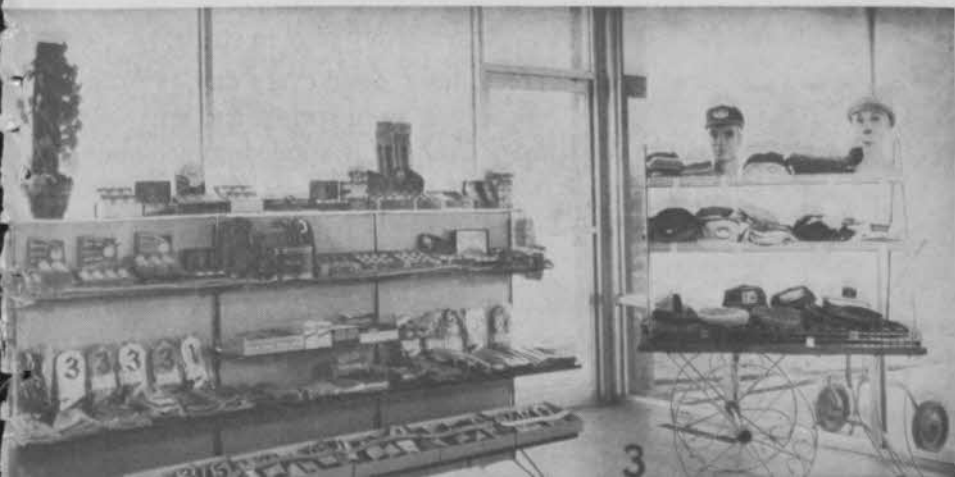




Ernie Garlem's Pro Shop

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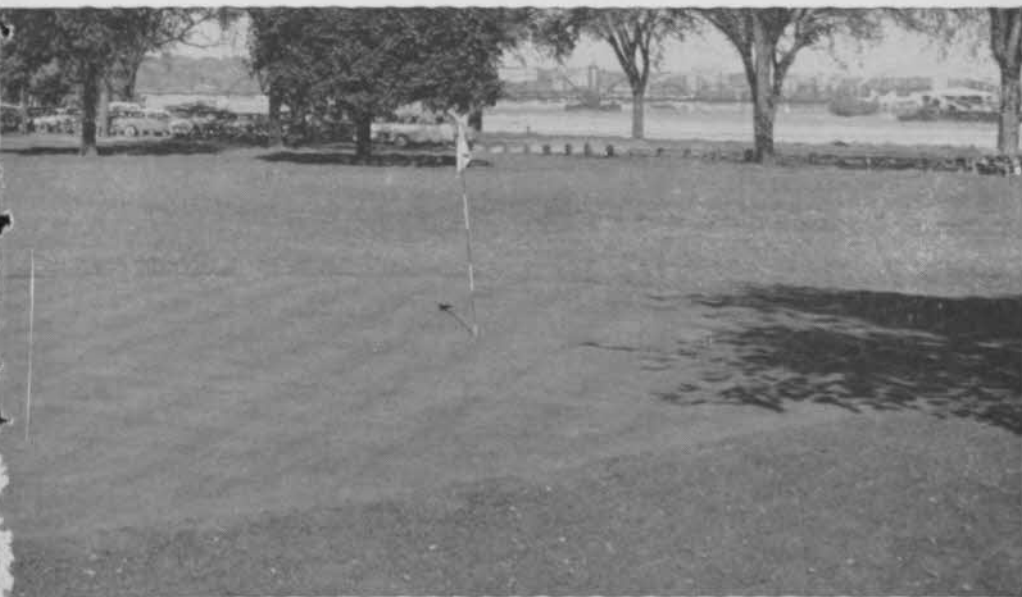
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Winners of the Future Masters tournament, played at the Dothan, (Ala.) CC in late July, were (l to r): Tom Barnes, Atlanta (15-16 age group); Lee Harper, Bessemer, Ala. (11-12); Maurey Finkelstein, Savannah (17-18); Tim Taylor, Brownsville, Tenn. (10 and under); and Mike Malarkey, Signal Mountain, Tenn. (13-14). Finkelstein had low score of 210. Barnes had a 219; Malarkey shot 147; Harper got a 167; and Tim Taylor, a 10-year old, had a 91. More than 175 boys from 11 states played in the 11th Future Masters. Club members feed and provide lodgings for the youngsters at all these tournaments. Telfair Ghioto is Dothan CC's pro.

33 Countries to Have Teams in World Amateur Championship

Thirty-three countries have entered the World Amateur Team Championship that is to be played Sept. 28-Oct. 1 at Merion GC, Ardmore, Pa. This is four more countries than were represented in 1958 when the first matches were played at St. Andrews in Scotland. Australia won the 1958 competition in a playoff with the U. S. and took possession of the Eisenhower Trophy.

The Championship is sponsored by the World Amateur Golf Council which was organized in Washington, D. C. more than two years ago with 32 member organizations. The Council now is comprised of 41 nations.

Play in the World Amateur is unique. Each team has either three or four players (most countries have four). All play four rounds of stroke play over the four days. A team's three lowest individual scores constitute the team score and the winner is decided on the four-day aggregate.

Members of the U. S. team will be selected immediately after the National Amateur in St. Louis. The non-playing American captain is Totton P. Heffelfinger of Minneapolis, former USGA pres.

Six countries which weren't represented in the 1958 matches will have teams at Merion while only two countries, Kenya and Iceland, that had teams in the Championship two years ago will be missing.

Ouimet Tree Planted on Hill of Fame in Rochester

The latest golfing great to be immortalized on the "Hill of Fame" at Oak Hill CC, Rochester, N. Y., is Francis D. Ouimet. A pin oak tree was planted and a bronze plaque commemorating his feats was installed on Aug. 25 on the famed hill that overlooks the club's 13th green. Ten other trees previously had been dedicated to golf immortals including Walter Hagen, Bob Jones, Ben Hogan, Babe Zaharias, Cary Middlecoff, Chick Evans, Gene Sarazen and Pres. Eisenhower.

Ouimet's first claim to fame came in 1913 when, as a comparatively unknown amateur, he won the USGA Open. A year later he won the National Amateur but had to wait 17 years before repeating as the Amateur champion. He was a member of several Walker Cup teams and in 1951 became the only American ever to be honored by being named captain of the R & A Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland. In 1955 Ouimet received the USGA's Bob Jones Award and last year the Metropolitan Golf Writers Assn. gave him its Gold Tee award.

Ouimet came to Oak Hill to take part in the ceremonies and play a round of golf on the East course. On the evening of the 25th he was the honored guest at a formal dinner at the club.

Dr. John R. Williams, Sr., is chmn. of the Hill of Fame committee.

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Must Exercise Reasonable Care to Keep Range Premises Safe

By WILLIAM JABINE

A woman patron of a golf range in Georgia was injured when she slipped and fell on a path which sloped down a bank about eight ft. in height at a 45 deg. angle. She was on her way to the teeing area and at the bottom of the path was some loose sand and gravel which caused her fall and which she claimed she did not see. The path she used was not the only means of access to the teeing area since steps had been constructed at another point. However the steps were not as conveniently located as the path and were seldom used by range patrons.



Hazard to Patron?

The injured woman brought suit against the owner of the range charging that he was negligent in permitting the sand and gravel to accumulate at the bottom of the path, thus creating what constituted a hazard to his patrons.

The case went to the Georgia court of appeals. After ruling that the woman was on the premises as an invitee, the court said that the owner was not an insurer of an invitee's safety but merely had a duty to exercise ordinary care in the maintenance of his property. On this point the Court said: "The duty an owner or proprietor owes to an invitee is to exercise ordinary care to keep his premises reasonably safe for the invitee's use, and extends to all portions of the premises to which the invitee is given access in the course of the business for which the invitation is extended."

Not a Dangerous Condition

The Court then went on to say that the existence of some loose sand and gravel at the foot of the path was not necessarily a defect or dangerous condition which it was the owner's duty to immediately correct, and ruled in the owner's favor. (*Misenhamer v. Pharr*, 107 S. E. 2d 875.)

Tax Accountant Says Golf Cars Are Exempt From Excise Tax

In July *Golfdom* (page 74) it was stated that the Internal Revenue Service had ruled that limited use of a battery operated electric golf car doesn't exclude it from being subject to the manufacturers' excise tax generally applied to automobiles. The fact that the vehicle is too light for highway use, IRS continued, doesn't make it tax-free, non highway equipment.

Recently, a well known tax accountant informed *Golfdom* that, according to IRS Ruling 60-212, it is his opinion that golf cars are exempt from the excise tax. The revenue ruling definitely states that "a certain four-wheel electrically powered motor vehicle designed for transportation on the public streets is an automobile within the meaning of the Code irrespective of the fact that it is impractical to drive such a vehicle on freeways or main highways where traffic is heavy."

However, in amplifying the ruling the Revenue Service states that a non-highway vehicle, one with chassis or body that is not designed for highway use, is not subject to the excise tax. This section goes on to list as examples of non-highway vehicles road graders, bulldozers, power shovels, earth movers, etc.

The tax accountant mentioned above contends that since golf cars, either electric or gas-powered, are not designed for any type of street or highway use, are exempt from the excise tax.

PGA Hole-in-One Contest

More than 350,000 golfers at 2,035 clubs have participated in the PGA's hole-in-one contest which has been held annually on Labor Day since 1957. The national champion is the person who scores an ace on the longest hole. If none is scored, the player whose ball is closest to the hole is declared the winner. All contest holes must measure not less than 150 yards. A total of 28 holes-in-one were scored in the first three years the competition was held. These included a 215-yard effort by John Allen of Amarillo, Tex., the 1958 winner. Leonard B. Schmutte, Findlay (O.) CC, is contest chmn.

World Amateur Guests

Half of the players in the World Amateur, played at Merion CC, Ardmore, Pa., Sept. 28-Oct. 1, will be guests in homes of Merion club members.

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Pro Installs Indoor School in Basement of Home

Golf is a year around proposition for John Lombardy, pro at Ekwanok CC in Manchester, Vt., even if he operates in a clime where the weather permits outdoor play no more than about seven months a year.

Lombardy recently completed a new ranch type home and every golfer in the country, both pro and amateur, will be envious to know that he has a driving range and putting green in the basement. The basement foundation was dug deep enough so that even the tallest swinger has plenty of room to go all the way to the top without flinching. The ceiling is 10 ft. high.

Felt is used for the putting green surface which has nine regulation cups. When the house was under construction, Lombardy had the mason pour cement around regulation golf cups. In the range area, Lombardy has a full size net and a tee mat.

When Manchester players are driven indoors for good around the first of Nov., Lombardy plans to continue to give them lessons and permit them to keep their games in shape by working out on the basement range.

Probably the nicest thing about the arrangement is that the Ekwanok pro won't have to walk very far to get to work.

English Club Costs

The London Economist says it cost about \$30 to join a "smart" English golf club while annual dues run from \$45 to \$75. In England, emphasis is on golf at a club and not social activity.



Distribute Exhibitors Brochure for 1961 GCSA Conference

An "Exhibitors Brochure" for the 32nd International Turfgrass conference and show of the GCSA has been distributed by the Royal York Hotel, Toronto 1, Ont., site of the annual show which will be held from Jan. 29 through Feb. 3, 1961.

The brochure lists rules and regulations for exhibiting, clearance through customs and shipping instructions. It also includes floor plans of the exhibition halls and gives information as to their dimensions, booth numbering system, traffic pattern through the exhibits and cost of exhibiting in various locations.

Blanks covering exhibitors' advance registration, a space contract and a post conference tour proposal for a New York City weekend also are included in the brochure.

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Copies of the brochure can be obtained from the Royal York Hotel at the above address or from Conference, GCSA, PO Box 1385, Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

USGA Senior Amateur

A record 512 entries have been received for sixth Senior Amateur of the USGA. These will be reduced to 120 through 18-hole qualifying tests in 32 locations. The championship proper will be played at Oyster Harbors Club, Osterville, Mass., Sept. 19-24.



Guinea pigs in Chicago printing tournament line up for medical check before starting play.

Riding vs. Walking

What happens to a player who uses wheels rather than his feet to get around a course? Here are a few answers that may interest you . . .

By ROY B. RIPLEY

THIS year as in the past eight, Art Blitstein, pres. of a large Chicago book bindery firm, sponsored a printing industry golf championship which had some unusual aspects. More than 200 entrants, representing the whole of the printing industry in northern Illinois, showed up to compete in the event which, along with golf, took on a medical air.

Blitstein had a prominent Chicago physician give complete physical exams to 12 players who either rode or walked the course as a check on fatigue factors. As far as is known, nothing like it ever had been done before.

Blitstein, who shoots in the high 70s, has for years spoken out against rules which

force the professional golfer to walk the course in championship play.

"In some ways golf is a game of endurance," Blitstein observes. "For many a player it causes much strain and overexertion. I feel it should be a game of skill alone, and not how far a man can walk."

With this in mind, the bindery executive came up with a unique idea for this year's tournament. Why not find out, scientifically, what happens to individuals who ride an 18-hole course in comparison with those who walk?

Overall Average Sought

Dr. Stanford Menachof, a golfer himself, agreed that such an experiment would be useful. "To be 100 per cent accurate," Dr. Menachof said, "the same individual would have to be examined both after riding and walking the same course on days when both temperature and humidity readings are practically identical. The player would have to be the same physically at the start of each test. That is to say his eating and resting habits, for example, would have to be about the same on each occasion."

However, it is the doctor's opinion that an overall average would be sufficient in that the results would give a general idea of physical differences, if there were any, between the groups of riders and walkers.

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On August 23rd at St. Andrews G & CC, near Chicago, players, press, and those generally interested, gathered for the experiment. Two groups of six golfers each were chosen. As nearly as possible each pair of players was alike physically. The weight of the men was approximately the same, as was their ages, and as far as could be determined, all were in good physical condition.

Stripped to the waist, each man was weighed in. Then he went to an examination table for an extensive check. "About the only thing I didn't do," Dr. Menachof said, "was give them a cardiogram. That would have taken too long."

Next the group, six walking and six riding in golf cars, moved out onto the course. The test was underway. The temperature ranged in the upper 70s and humidity was quite high.

Most of the players soon were sweating, many profusely. It was an almost perfect day to study golfer fatigue.

Second Phase of Exam

Some four and one-half hours after teeing off, the tourney's golfing guinea pigs came onto the 18th green. Hot, hungry and tired, the group was glad to weigh in again and then settle down while



Dr. Stanford Menachof, who conducted test, gives golfer checkup after he finished round.

Dr. Menachof took up the second phase of his examinations.

The findings?

"I wouldn't say they were startling," the doctor said. "But I would say there was a quite definite difference between the two groups.

"To begin with," Dr. Menachof pointed
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